

SANTA ANITA

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| Ticket Cost \$336 | Ticket Cost \$160 | Ticket Cost \$420 | Ticket Cost \$315 | |

1 - SANTA ANITA (3:00 ET) 47
 OPTIONAL CLAIMING 70K, 6.5F TURF

6 WILL HAPPEN 8-1 AYUSO
1 MO 'EM DOWN 3-1 **BERRIOS**
 2 MARJORAM 5-2 HERNANDEZ
 8 STRUCK BY HER 5-1 GEROUX

PICK: 6 WILL HAPPEN

Absolutely crushed them in the debut when bet down to the 5-2 favorite for a trainer (Richard Baltas) who isn't known for being overly live with firsters. Tired when she set a 45.3 half mile going 1M on the grass two back. She got Lasix off the comeback and hit the front before she tired a bit late. First time down-the-hill. Two nice drills.

VALUE: 8 STRUCK BY HER

She split the field last time out in the 100k Sweet Life at this distance. That was without Lasix which she has back in the field today. Looked promising in the maiden win two back when she gamely came between horses to win. Bred for the grass on both sides of the family. She beat 17 foes in Ireland in her two starts there. Can win.

A) 1,2,6 B) 3,7,8 C) 4,5 D)

2 - SANTA ANITA (3:33 ET) 73
 OPTIONAL CLAIMING 70K, 6.5F DIRT

~~7 MARCH OF TIME 9-5 HERNANDEZ~~
5 CRUDE VELOCITY 2-1 **GEROUX**
 6 SANTARENA 5-1 FRESU
 4 FOR ALL MANKIND 10-1 JARAMILLO

PICK: 7 MARCH OF TIME

5YO horse hasn't run in 16 months. He was beaten twice at odds-on in his first three starts but had a strong win over MSW company in between. Baffert had 8 runners come in off a year layoff or more in opt clm/allw sprint on dirt with Hernandez up. He won 4 and was second in other 4. Sib to Baffert's Derby runner-up, Bodemeister.

VALUE: 6 SANTARENA

Mark Glatt 5YO gelding hasn't run since March of 2025. Showed some talent on the move back to the dirt in the last three starts. Was second with a late rush behind a foe in here, March of Time. Went wire to wire in the next start. There were four next out winners from that race. Glatt is very good with returnees like this one. Fresu up.

A) 5,7 B) 6 C) 1,2,3,4 D)

3 - SANTA ANITA (4:05 ET) 70
 MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 70K, 6F DIRT

5 MO KOKO 6-1 **AYUSO**
 1 DUKE SILVER 5-1 KIMURA
 2 WINSTON AVE 3-2 HERNANDEZ
 4 CAPTAIN SHREVE 5-2 GEROUX

PICK: 5 MO KOKO

Trainer Baracio (who is hitting at 37% for this meet) has had 5 first time starters in MSW sprinting on the dirt in the last 4 years. He won twice and was 2nd in another. The common theme with the live firsters were each had a bullet 4F or 5F move within two weeks of the race. Outworked a speedball from the barn in that 3/22 work.

VALUE: 1 DUKE SILVER

He was 10-1 in what could be a strong MSW first time out. Check how Crude Velocity (the winner of the MSW) runs in race two. Mark Glatt has had 23 second timers who were in the money first out and are in MSW on dirt sprinting. He won 9 of them (39%) and hit the board in all 23. 2010 Ky Derby winner Super Saver is in the family.

A) 1,5 B) 2,3,4 C) 6 D) 7

4 – SANTA ANITA (4:38 ET) 66
ECHO EDDIE 125K, 6.5F DIRT

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| 5 SAMMY DAVIS | 8-5 | JARAMILLO |
| 4 THIRSTY REBEL | 3-2 | LEZCANO |
| 2 FIONELLO | 10-1 | FRESU |
| 6 SOUTHERN MELODEE | 8-1 | AYUSO |

PICK: 5 SAMMY DAVIS

Looks like John Sadler is still trying to figure out what this guy does best. He had him routing and on turf in 2 starts this year. That was after he won the Graduation sprinting on the dirt and was second in the Golden State Juv on BC weekend (also sprinting on dirt). He is back to the sprint game here. Can press or rate just in behind.

VALUE: 2 FIONELLO

He's routed in 3 of the last 4 starts. The one time he was in a sprint in between those was two back when he was a fast closing runner-up to Tommy Norris (in this race) who got loose on the lead. Would need a contested early pace to allow his late kick to have some punch. Cost a good amount for a Cal-bred (250k) despite an 8k sire fee.

A) 4,5 B) 2,6 C) 1,3 D)

7 – SANTA ANITA (6:15 ET) 57
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 70K, 6.5F TURF

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| 3 BOOKED CLUBHOUSE | 4-1 | FREY |
| 6 ORACLE OF PARADISE | 5-2 | AYUSO |
| 5 EUGENE SLEDGE | 3-1 | FRESU |
| 1 TIGHT DALLY | 10-1 | GONZALEZ |

PICK: 3 BOOKED CLUBHOUSE

He's been the runner-up in 3 of his 5 turf starts. 1 of the 2 he was off the board in was his only try routing on the grass. The winner two back returned to win in an op clm 50k on turf next. 4th from the last start moved to dirt in his next start and won a MSW. Half to two-time Cal-bred dirt stakes winner Bookies Luck. Overdue for a victory.

VALUE: 1 TIGHT DALLY

Ran evenly in the debut. The top choice was second and this one was 5th at 18-1. That is not a terrible run since the trainer (Eurton) doesn't normally have them ready for the debut. Has a turf on turf pedigree. Since was G1 winning on turf at a mile about a decade or so ago. The 3/22 dirt work since last was fast. Expect improvement.

A) 3,5,6 B) 1,9 C) 2,4,7 D) 8,10

5 – SANTA ANITA (5:10 ET) 71
CLAIMING 25K, 1M TURF

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| 4 ZALAMO | 8-1 | GEROUX |
| 6 VANTASTIC | 6-1 | BERRIOS |
| 9 HOTROCKET | 8-1 | HERNANDEZ |
| 12 KAWAZAKI | 10-1 | AYUSO |

PICK: 4 ZALAMO

The field he faced last time out was much stronger than he faces here. The winner won for opt clm 80k next out. 3rd was 2nd at 5-1 in the 100k Sensational Star in his next start. Drew a wide post 2 back and sat off a slow pace but was making up ground late. This is his 2nd off the layoff. He will set up shop in a perfect tracking spot.

VALUE: 6 VANTASTIC

Any time you see Hector Berrios in a turf race you have to take notice. He's a great judge of pace and gets them to finish on the grass. This one might have been best in the last start if it weren't for traffic trouble in the lane. He did get within a half at 8-1. He's a 7-time winner on this turf (11 for 21 in the exacta at the distance on turf).

A) 4,6,9,12 B) 2,3,5 C) 1,10,11 D) 7,8

8 – SANTA ANITA (6:46 ET) 75
EVENING JEWEL 125K, 6.5F DIRT

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| 7 MOHAVEN | 1-1 | JARAMILLO |
| 6 TOO SASSY | 6-1 | BAZE |
| 5 ANOTHER ZERO | 3-1 | HERNANDEZ |
| 1 CEE DREW | 8-1 | AYUSO |

PICK: 7 MOHAVEN

She won the Golden State Juvenile Fillies here back on Halloween during Breeders' Cup weekend. Tried turf in the last start but that is not where the breeding is. She adds blinkers back on. She wore them in the wire to wire maiden win and the runner-up to Too Sassy in the 100k Generous Portion 3 back. One of the few with early foot.

VALUE: 6 TOO SASSY

Upset winner of the Generous Portion (at 25-1) over the top choice. Faded to 5th against that one in the next race at 7F at Del Mar. Set a fast pace on the turf routing last time out and wired with a speed rider up. This distance (6.5F) might be ideal for her given her speed and style. New rider Baze gets up. Works at San Luis Rey look fast.

A) 7 B) 1,5,6 C) 3,8 D) 2,4

6 – SANTA ANITA (5:42 ET) 86
SANTA ANITA OAKS (G2) 200K, 1M 1/16 DIRT

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| 5 MEANING | 3-5 | HERNANDEZ |
| 1 FORCED ENTRY | 4-1 | SMITH |
| 2 BANK SHOT | 20-1 | ESCOBEDO |
| 7 BROOKLYN BLONDE | 6-1 | KIMURA |

PICK: 5 MEANING

She had every reason to get beat in the 100k stakes as a prep for this. She was off the layoff and facing a good field (albeit a small one) and was against it from a pace perspective. She never looked a loser and was clearly best in the end. The runner-up won the G3 Honeybee at OP next. Clockers love her drills since the stakes victory.

VALUE: 2 BANK SHOT

She was third in the Las Virgenes won by the top choice two back. Front wraps added in last but she clearly was better than her 23-1 odds when runner-up to the Baffert winner (on the rail today) in the G3. She does have some talent. The low percentage win rate from the rider and trainer ensures a price. Just looking for a minor placing.

A) 5 B) 1,2,7 C) 3 D) 4,6

9 – SANTA ANITA (7:16 ET) 36
OPTIONAL CLAIMING 70K, 1M TURF

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| 11 SABERTOOTH | 6-1 | GEROUX |
| 8 KING OF DRAGONS | 4-1 | HERNANDEZ |
| 9 PLEASE FOCUS | 10-1 | AYUSO |
| 7 WARM SUN AND BREW | 9-2 | FRESU |

PICK: 11 SABERTOOTH

We know this 4YO colt has class and talent. The fitness is going to be the question since he is making his first start since March 2025. He's already been graded stakes place twice on the turf. He faced Cal-breds just twice and was second in both at 2-5 odds in each). He worked with G3 placed Third Beers in recent drills. Wins if right.

VALUE: 9 PLEASE FOCUS

Speedster is 7 for 13 in the exacta on Santa Anita grass so far. That is significant since he's been with open class foes of late. He'll have to deal with other speed but if he can relax at all, he is very game when challenged. He is 2 for 7 going 1M on the grass. Ayuso was aboard in that 11-1 win two back with starter allowance foes. Up front.

A) 8,11 B) 1,7,9,10,12 C) 3,4,5 D) 2,6

10 – SANTA ANITA (7:46 ET) 72
SANTA ANITA DERBY (G1) 500K, 1M 1/8 DIRT

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| 2 POTENTE | 2-1 | HERNANDEZ |
| 7 INTREPIDO | 7-2 | BERRIOS |
| 3 VITRUVIAN MAN | 15-1 | FRESU |
| 4 ROBUSTA | 8-1 | JARAMILLO |

PICK: 2 POTENTE

Expensive \$2.4M purchase for Bob Baffert is now 2 for 2 after the San Felipe win. Bob Baffert has won this race 9 times but none since 2019. That was with Roadster for the same ownership. Second dam is the 3-time Grade 1 winning turfer, Perfect Sting (\$2.2M). Two sharp works since the G2 win. Rumored to be the top 3YO in the Bob Baffert barn. Looks the one to beat off the prep victory.

SECOND: 7 INTREPIDO

Jeff Mullins won this race three years in a row from '03 to '05. This one is a G1 winner after taking the prep here for the BC Juvenile in a strong 9-1 upset three back in the American Pharoah. He overcame a tough trip to get that win. Off slow in the BC Juvenile and was somewhat flat. Excellent return in the Bob Lewis. 4th and 5th from there both won by 10 next out. Expect a big move forward.

THIRD: 3 VITRUVIAN MAN

Yes, this one looks cheap compared to some of the high dollar types in this race. But, while a few of the others are strictly bred for sprinting or up to a mile at the most this one has distance breeding on both sides. Won only dirt start of his career which came against 10 foes three back at Keeneland. This race has the feel of one that is going to melt down. Might pass some wobbly foes late.

FOURTH: 4 ROBUSTA

It might be the Doug O'Neil is still trying to find what this horse wants. Had the blinkers added in the G2 San Felipe last time out and he almost pulled off a big 67-1 upset. Don't think he needs to be on the lead. He did sit just behind them in the San Felipe. That could be a nice spot to travel in this group. 2nd dam Urbane was a 2-time G1 winner who ran second in the 1995 G1 Ky Oaks. Use.

VALUE: 7 INTREPIDO

- A) 2,7 B) 1,3,4 C) 5 D) 6

11 – SANTA ANITA (8:18 ET) 48
MONROVIA (G3) 100K, 6.5F TURF

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| 5 AMORITA | 12-1 | DEMURO |
| 1 QUEEN MAXIMA | 4-5 | HERNANDEZ |
| 3 LOVE APPLES | 3-1 | JARAMILLO |
| 7 SPIRITED BOSS | 12-1 | SMITH |

PICK: 5 AMORITA

She was a bit of a run off going long on the grass. That is why Mandella cut her back in distance in 2 of the last 3 starts. She roared home to finish second by a head in the G3 two back. That was also at this 6.5F distance on this turf. Awkward break in the G2 two back. She ran in spots in the comebacker last out. Clockers love that drill on 3/27. They said she was "full of run" with Demuro up.

VALUE: 7 SPIRITED BOSS

She is 1 of 2 in the race shipping in from out East. She pressed a very faced pace going 1M 1/16 last time out and tired a bit late. It was a good effort considering she is going 6.5F here. The winner of that race won back in a 150k turf stakes at GP. She technically only has raced once sprinting on the turf. She won that race at GP in a stakes at 12-1. Always preferred the wide posts at 6.5F.

- A) 1,3,5 B) 6,7 C) 2 D) 4

12 – SANTA ANITA (8:48 ET) 50
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 70K, 6.5F TURF

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| 1 CORTINA D'AMPREZZO | 6-1 | BERRIOS |
| 10 DARING PURSUIT | 15-1 | GEROUX |
| 2 SILKIE SEVEI | 9-2 | HERNANDEZ |
| 11 SOMERSET WEST | 3-1 | FRESU |

PICK: 1 CORTINA D'AMPREZZO

Winner of the debut race in Ireland has since won two stakes there. The runner-up won a MSW at Del Mar next and has also won stakes in the US since that race. The winner of the second start is also a minor stakes winner in Ireland now. Winner two back won the G3 Surfer Girl for Richard Mandella next out. Beaten favorite in three straight but she ran well each time. Cutback should help.

VALUE: 10 DARING PURSUIT

This is a very difficult race to get a handle on. This one was right behind the top choice at 1M last out. She did make up some ground going from 9th early on up to 4th in the end, beaten just 3. Berrios is off to the top choice in here but picks up Geroux. They put 4 works into her since the last start. One of them was a fast bullet move on the training track. Serious late runner fits at a price.

- A) 1,2,10,11 B) 4,12 C) 7,9 D) 3,6,14

